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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed PTO-1449.

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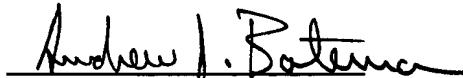
It is respectfully requested that the information listed on the PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner, and that an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information was considered.

No fee is believed necessary for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, Applicants' undersigned attorney is reachable by telephone at (202) 625-3547. The correspondence address of record is provided below.

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